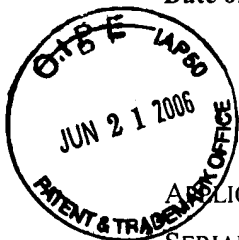


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified application please find the following documents:

1. Response to Restriction Requirement (1 page);
2. Return Postcard.

Although Applicants believe no fee is due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 18427-001 CON2.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the June 6, 2006 Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1 and 2, drawn to a viable population of pancreatic progenitor cells, classified in class 435, subclass 377, for example.

With no extension of time, this Response is due on or before July 6, 2006. Although Applicants believe no fee is due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 18427-001 CON2.

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